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**For: COMPOSITION FOR USE AS A REINFORCING FILLER IN POLYMER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of filing fee, please enter the following amendment in the specification and claims:

**In the Specification:**

Page 1, just after the title, please add the new following paragraph:

This application is an application under 35 U.S.C. Section 371 of International Application Number PCT/FR00/02307 filed on August 11, 2000.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-16, and replace them with the following new claims 25-51:

25. (New) A composition obtained by drying a suspension comprising:

- mineral or organic particles A, having a form factor of less than 15 and,
- mineral or organic particles B, which are dispersible in a polymer medium

26. (New) The composition according to claim 25, wherein the suspension is obtained by mixing at least one suspension of mineral or organic particles A having a form